

**MINUTES OF THE SOUTH DAKOTA ANNUAL WEED & PEST CONTROL COMMISSION MEETING 2**  
**February 19, 2020 – 1:30 pm**  
**Best Western Ramkota Hotel and Convention Center, Aberdeen, SD**

Chairman Lynn Deibert called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm, February 19, 2020.

**Members Present:** Commissioners Dennis Feickert, Duane Buckmeier, Craig Magedanz, Lynn Diebert, Game Fish & Parks representative Paul Coughlin, Association of SD County Commissioners Representative Neil VonEschen; Department of Transportation Representative Tony Ondricek; Non-Voting Members - SD Department of Agriculture representative Tom Gere; SDSU Representative Paul Johnson; and Commission Secretary and Plant Industry Program Manager Brenda Sievers. (Exhibit #1)

Craig Magedanz made a motion to approve the agenda (Exhibit #2). Seconded by Tony Ondricek. Motion carried.

The Chairman asked for any changes to the minutes of the September 10, 2019, meeting. A motion was made by Duane Buckmeier to approve the minutes. Seconded by Paul Coughlin. Motion carried.

**Old Business**

No old business presented.

**New Business**

Requests for Locally Declared Noxious Weeds & Pests . . . . . (Exhibit #3)

(R) = Renewal / (N) = New request / (NN) = **New & not in Rules, would need rules hearing**

Beadle County – Bull Thistle (R)

Custer County – Black Henbane (R)

Davison County – Yellow Toadflax (R)

Deuel County – Yellow Toadflax (R)

Edmunds County – **Palmer Amaranth (NN)**

Fall River County – Common Mullein (R), Houndstongue (R)

Hyde County – Bull Thistle (R), Houndstongue (R), **Palmer Amaranth (NN)**

Pennington County – Houndstongue (R), Sulfur Cinquefoil (R), Japanese Beetle (R)

Spink County – Yellow Toadflax (R)

Discussion was held on the locally noxious weed requests. A motion was made by Neil VonEschen, to approve those locally noxious weed requests that are not new, requiring a rules hearing. Seconded by Duane Buckmeier. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on adding palmer amaranth as a locally noxious weed. Paul Johnson provided information on how many counties have had palmer amaranth positively identified as well as how it does fit the criteria to be on the listing of locally noxious weeds. A motion was made by Dennis Feickert to add palmer amaranth as a locally noxious weed pending a rules hearing. Seconded by Duane Buckmeier. Motion carried.

Weed & Pest Coordinator Report was given by Brenda Sievers. Reports were given on District Meeting attendance, as well as Weed and Pest Staff assisted the Association of SD County Weed and Pest Boards with booths at Sioux Falls Farm Show, Black Hills Stock Show, Watertown Farm Show and Ag Fest in Pierre.

Jeremiah Phelps was introduced as the new Weed and Pest Program Specialist. He gave a report on the noxious weed acre summary from 2019.

District reports were given by Craig Magedanz, Duane Buckmeier, Dennis Feickert, Lynn Diebert, and Neil VonEschen. Tony Ondricek and Paul Coughlin gave their agency reports.

Tom Gere, Assistant Division Director for Ag Services talked about Industrial Hemp bill currently going through



legislature as well as Department bills that will provide additional funding for the pesticide and container recycling programs and a bill that revise pesticide program language.

Paul Johnson introduced the two people who assist with the test plots – Dave Vos and Jill Alms. He also gave an update on publications.

Dale Anderson gave the CAPS report on planned projects for 2020. Planned activities include karnal bunt, gypsy moth, khapra beetle, pine shoot beetle, emerald ash borer and Japanese beetle. Pest detection survey will be in corn and soybeans. Mike Stenson reported on the bio-control projects planned. Greg Buntrock with USDA-APHIS-PPQ reported on the lower grasshopper numbers, but there were some hot spots in central SD last year. Amy Mesman is the new State Plant Health Director.

Custer County approached the Commission to ask for an extension until June 1<sup>st</sup> for their grant WP-C20-21 – Aerial Application of Leafy Spurge. They couldn't complete spring applications as planned last year. A motion was made by Craig Magedanz to extend grant WP-C20-21 to June 1<sup>st</sup>. Seconded by Duane Buckmeier. Motion carried.

Dan Forgey and Dennis Hoyle addressed the Commission about their concerns with Palmer Amaranth. A lengthy discussion was held, as well as comments from several individuals. No action was taken.

Public Comment Period was held.

Weed & Pest Competitive Grant Reports from FY2020 were given on the following:

GRANT #	COUNTY	ORGNZTN	FRSTNM	LASTNAME	PROJECT
WP-C20-1	Hamlin	Co. W/P Bd	Brad	Anderson	Hamlin County & Estelline High School Joint BioControl Project
WP-C20-2	Hyde	Co. W/P Bd	Dave	Tatum	Shelterbelt Noxious Weed Control & Education
WP-C20-3	Hyde	Co. W/P Bd	Dave	Tatum	Wormwood Sage Education & Chemical Cost Share
WP-C20-4	SDSU Extension	WEED Project	Paul O.	Johnson	Noxious Weed Field Evaluation, Demonstration & Education Program
WP-C20-5	Butte	Co. W/P Bd	Sandy	Hammill	Hoary Cress/Common Mullein/Poison Hemlock Education & Chemical Cost Share
WP-C20-6	Butte	Co. W/P Bd	Sandy	Hammill	Leafy Spurge Education & Control Project
WP-C20-7	Butte	Co. W/P Bd	Sandy	Hammill	Belle Fourche River Phragmites Survey
WP-C20-8	Hughes	Co. W/P Bd	Dugan	Petersen	Puncturevine Herbicide Residual Tests on County Roads
WP-C20-9	Gregory	Co. W/P Bd	Dewayne	Bennett	Whitestone Watershed Leafy Spurge Project
WP-C20-10	Deuel	Co. W/P Bd	Keith	Goens	Control of Wild Parsnip & Queen Anne's Lace
WP-C20-11	Deuel	Co. W/P Bd	Keith	Goens	Chemical & Bio Control of Poison Hemlock in Deuel County
WP-C20-12	Assn of SD	Co. W/P Bd	Gary	Pribyl	2019 Media & Fair Public Education Project
WP-C20-13	Pennington	Co. W/P Bd	Scott	Guffey	Common Tansy Reduction Project
WP-C20-16	Haakon	Co. W/P Bd	Virgil	Smith	Cheyenne River Salt Cedar Control Project
WP-C20-17	Meade	Co. W/P Bd	Nathan	Jagim	Erickson Ranch Road Valley Absinth Wormwood Project
WP-C20-18	Meade	Co. W/P Bd	Nathan	Jagim	Brushie Creek Watershed Leafy Spurge Project
WP-C20-19	Meade	Co. W/P Bd	Nathan	Jagim	Knapweed BioControl Project



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WP-C20-20	Meade	Co. W/P Bd	Nathan	Jagim	Meade County Tamarix Project
WP-C20-21	Custer	Co. W/P Bd	Caley	Buckert	Hermosa Leafy Spurge Control Project
WP-C20-23	Fall River	Co. W/P Bd	Nina	Steinmetz	Leafy Spurge Assistance Project
WP-C20-24	Fall River	Co. W/P Bd	Nina	Steinmetz	Horsehead Creek Noxious Weed Control Assistance
WP-C20-27	Douglas	Co. W/P Bd	Kim	Klein	Spotted Knapweed Education & Chemical Cost Share
WP-C20-28	Douglas	Co. W/P Bd	Kim	Klein	Wormwood Sage Education & Chemical Cost Share
WP-C20-29	Meade	Co. W/P Bd	Nathan	Jagim	Sulfur Cinquefoil Control Project
WP-C20-30	Black Hills Resource Conservation	& Developmnt Assn, Inc.	Nathan	Jagim	BHIPP Education & Awareness Campaign

**FY2021 Regular Weed & Pest Grant Applications - \$230,000 divided amongst qualifying applicants**

GRANT #	COUNTY	ORGNZTN	FRSTNM	LASTNAME	PROJECT
WP-21-2	Pennington	Co. W/P Bd	Scott	Guffey	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-3	Brown	Co. W/P Bd	Chris	Hemen	Chemical, Promotion, Radio Ads, Booth, Seasonal Labor, Bio Workshops
WP-21-4	Beadle	Co. W/P Bd	Larry	Neuharth	Chemical
WP-21-5	Codington	Co. W/P Bd	Steve	Molengraaf	Chemical, Seasonal Labor, Spraying Equipment
WP-21-6	Brookings	Co. W/P Bd	Misty	Moser	Chemical
WP-21-7	Yankton	Co. W/P Bd	Jim	Liebsch	Chemical, Seasonal/Contractual Labor
WP-21-8	Davison	Co. W/P Bd	Gregory	Geppert	Chemical
WP-21-10	Aurora	Co. W/P Bd	Doug	Vissia	Chemical
WP-21-12	Bon Homme	Co. W/P Bd	Jacque	Humpal	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-13	Brule *	Co. W/P Bd	Jen	Konechne	Chemical, Update Spraying Equipment, Contract Labor
WP-21-15	Butte	Co. W/P Bd	Lori	Johnston	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-16	Campbell	Co. W/P Bd	Lynn	Deibert	Chemical, Contractual Labor, Spray Equipment
WP-21-17	Charles Mix	Co. W/P Bd	Josh	Rouse	Chemical
WP-21-18	Clark	Co. W/P Bd	Larry	Lynch	Chemical
WP-21-19	Clay	Co. W/P Bd	Dennis	Ganschow	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-20	Corson	Co. W/P Bd	Loyson	Carda	Chemical, Contract/Seasonal Labor, Promotion/Education
WP-21-21	Custer	Co. W/P Bd	Caley	Buckert	Chemical, Bio Control, Cost Share with Landowners, Spray Equipment, Education
WP-21-22	Day	Co. W/P Bd	Ben	Braaten	Chemical, Contractual Labor/Equipment
WP-21-23	Deuel	Co. W/P Bd	Keith	Goens	Chemical, Seasonal Labor, Spray Equipment Updates
WP-21-25	Douglas	Co. W/P Bd	Kim	Klein	Chemical, Seasonal/Contractual Labor, Equipment Repair/Upgrade, Advertising
WP-21-26	Edmunds	Co. W/P Bd	Lenny	Uhrich	Chemical
WP-21-27	Fall River	Co. W/P Bd	Nina	Steinmetz	Chemical, Purchase/Upgrade Spray Equipment, Educational Material, Promotional Items



GRANT #	COUNTY	ORGNZTN	FRSTNM	LASTNAME	PROJECT
WP-21-28	Faulk	Co. W/P Bd	Aimee	Law, Auditor	Chemical, Contractual Labor
WP-21-29	Grant	Co. W/P Bd	Nathan	Mueller	Chemical, Application Equipment, Labor
WP-21-30	Gregory	Co. W/P Bd	Dewayne	Bennett	Chemical, Newspaper Ads
WP-21-31	Haakon	Co. W/P Bd	Virgil	Smith	Chemical, Repair/Update Equipment and Datalogger
WP-21-32	Hamlin	Co. W/P Bd	Robert	Feldhus	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-33	Hand	Co. W/P Bd	Randy	Peck	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-34	Hanson	Co. W/P Bd	Vince	Kayser	Chemical
WP-21-35	Harding	Co. W/P Bd	Misty	Koan	Chemical, Seasonal Labor, Equipment Upgrades
WP-21-36	Hughes	Co. W/P Bd	Dugan	Petersen	Chemical, Contractual Labor
WP-21-37	Hutchinson	Co. W/P Bd	Clifford	Tjaden	Chemical, Contractual Labor
WP-21-38	Hyde	Co. W/P Bd	Dave	Tatum	Chemical, Seasonal Labor, Sprayer/Injections System Parts, Educational Mailings
WP-21-39	Jackson	Co. W/P Bd	Vicki	Wilson	Chemical, Seasonal/Contractual Labor, Educational/Promotional Items, Publication Costs, Public Seminars, Equipment, Repairs
WP-21-40	Jerauld	Co. W/P Bd	Gene	Fastnacht	Chemical
WP-21-41	Jones	Co. W/P Bd	Travis	Hendricks	Chemical, Contractual/Seasonal Labor, Meeting Expense, Advertising
WP-21-42	Kingsbury	Co. W/P Bd	Tanya	Flegel	Chemical, Contractual Labor, Educational Programs, Newspaper and Workshops
WP-21-43	Lake	Co. W/P Bd	Robert	Johnson	Chemical
WP-21-44	Lincoln	Co. W/P Bd	Terry	Fluit	Chemical
WP-21-45	Lyman	Co. W/P Bd	Walt	Nagel	Chemical
WP-21-46	McCook	Co. W/P Bd	Geralyn	Sherman	Chemical, Publish Media Notices
WP-21-47	McPherson	Co. W/P Bd	Michael	Schwingler	Chemical
WP-21-49	Meade	Co. W/P Bd	Nathan	Jagim	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-51	Miner	Co. W/P Bd	Kent	Terwilliger	Chemical
WP-21-52	Moody	Co. W/P Bd	Dan	Miles	Chemical
WP-21-53	Perkins	Co. W/P Bd	Loyson	Carda	Chemical, Seasonal/Contractual Labor, Promotional/Education Material
WP-21-54	Potter	Co. W/P Bd	JD	Long	Chemical, Contractual Labor
WP-21-55	Roberts	Co. W/P Bd	Leland	Larsen	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-56	Sanborn	Co. W/P Bd	Shari	Kogel	Chemical, Labor, Parts, Equipment
WP-21-57	Spink	Co. W/P Bd	Michael	Esser	Chemical, Promotional Items, Booths and Meetings
WP-21-58	Stanley	Co. W/P Bd	Lee	Smith	Chemical, Contractual Labor
WP-21-59	Sully	Co. W/P Bd	Paula	Barber	Chemical, Advertising
WP-21-60	Tripp	Co. W/P Bd	Greg	Womeldorf	Chemical
WP-21-61	Turner	Co. W/P Bd	Brad	Georgeson	Chemical, Seasonal/Contractual Labor
WP-21-62	Union	Co. W/P Bd	Janet	Lingle	Chemical, Seasonal Labor
WP-21-63	Walworth	Co. W/P Bd	Dave	Ritter	Chemical

(\*) do not qualify for funding - no attendance at the 2019 District Weed Meeting, which is one of the qualifying criteria to receive a FY2021 grant



Discussion was held on the Committee recommendation for funding for the FY2021 grants. A motion was made by Craig Magedanz to accept the Committee recommendations for funding the FY2021 grants. Seconded by Neal VonEschen. Motion carried.

The Competitive Grants were funded as follows:

WP-C21-1 – Hyde County - \$7,500 - Shelterbelt Noxious Weed Control & Education  
WP-C21-2 – Hyde County - \$5,000 - Wormwood Sage Education & Chemical Cost Share  
WP-C21-3 – Douglas County - \$5,000 - Wormwood Sage Education & Chemical Cost Share  
WP-C21-5 – Douglas County - \$2,000 - Mullein Education and Chemical Cost Share  
WP-C21-6 – Butte County - \$8,000 - Hoary Cress/Common Mullein/Poison Hemlock Education & Chem Cost Share  
WP-C21-7 – Butte County - \$10,000 - Phragmites Clean Up on the Belle Fourche River  
WP-C21-8 – Fall River County - \$28,000 - Common Mullein Assistance Project  
WP-C21-10 – Association of SD County Weed and Pest Boards - \$44,000 - 2020 Public Media Outreach Project  
WP-C21-11 – Hughes County - \$8,000 - Puncturevine Application in Highly Infested Areas  
WP-C21-12 – Pennington County - \$11,350 - Pennington County Cheyenne River Watershed Weed Mgmt Project  
WP-C21-13 – SDSU - \$47,000 - Noxious Weed Field Evaluation, Demonstration & Education Program  
WP-C21-14 – Meade County - \$12,500 - Erickson Ranch Road Valley Absinth Wormwood Project  
WP-C21-15 – Meade County - \$7,000 - Brushie Creek Watershed Leafy Spurge Project  
WP-C21-16 – Meade County - \$6,800 - Meade County Tamarix Project  
WP-C21-17 – Deuel County - \$1,600 - Poison Hemlock Bio Control Project  
WP-C21-18 – Deuel County - \$7,000 - Chemical Control of Poison Hemlock

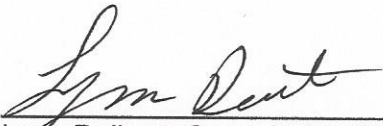
The next meeting will be Thursday, April 30 at 1 pm. A rules hearing will be held at that time.

A motion was made by Craig Magedanz, to approve the bills for this meeting, Weed and Pest Conference and the review committee meeting. Seconded by Paul Coughlin. Motion carried.

Chairman Deibert declared the meeting adjourned at 4:53 pm.



Brenda Sievers  
Commission Secretary



Lynn Deibert, Commission Chairman  
(Approved Minutes)